

# Joint Epilepsy Council of Australia

Australian Chapter of the International Bureau for Epilepsy



## **IBE OUTSTANDING PERSONS WITH EPILEPSY AWARD**

The Joint Epilepsy Council of Australia is pleased to call for nominations for the Australian recipient of the **Outstanding Person with Epilepsy Award**, to be awarded at the 8<sup>th</sup> Asian & Oceanian Epilepsy Congress in Melbourne in October 2010.

### **BACKGROUND:**

The first combined Asian and Oceanian Epilepsy Congress (AOEC) representing both the medical and epilepsy support organizations of the regions was held in Korea in 1996. It was at the 4<sup>th</sup> AOEC in Nagano, Japan in 2002, under the guidance of Dr Park (Korea), Dr Marshall (Taiwan), Dr Kubota (Japan) and Dr Mehndiratta (India) developed the idea of the 'outstanding persons with epilepsy award' to encourage people with epilepsy to not be ashamed of their condition and to overcome the heavy culturally defined stigma and discrimination that exists in the region.

This Award was presented to very worthy recipients, nominated by their respective Chapters, at the subsequent Asian & Oceanian Congresses in Bangkok 2004, Kuala Lumpur 2006, and Xiamen 2008.

In 2005, the region came under the auspices of the IBE, and this award is now recognized as an international award.

To continue the tradition, this Award will again be presented at the 8<sup>th</sup> AOEC Melbourne, 2010.

<http://www.epilepsymelbourne2010.org>



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### **NOMINATION GUIDELINES**

1. The person nominated must be a person who has epilepsy.
2. Nominations can be made by an individual or an organisation.
3. You may nominate yourself.
4. Reasons for nomination are many, but may include:
  - a. Contribution to community service for people with epilepsy
  - b. Longstanding support for people with epilepsy
  - c. Longstanding advocate for people with epilepsy (community, politics, media)
  - d. Individual achievement that inspires others (personal, professional, educational, sporting, creative) regardless of their epilepsy
  - e. Distinguished service to a local epilepsy support organisation.

### **NOMINATION PROCESS**

1. Complete the nomination form and forward to Mr Graeme Shears, Chair, Joint Epilepsy Council of Australia, 818 Burke Road, Camberwell Vic 3124 (gshears@epilepsy.asn.au).
2. Nomination forms can be mailed or emailed.
3. Closing date for nominations is **15 July 2010**.
4. When your nomination has been received, you will be sent confirmation in writing that it has been received.
5. All nominees will receive a letter of recognition.
6. Only nominees who are short listed will be contacted by phone and asked for permission to continue with the judging process.
7. A judging panel consisting of representatives from the Joint Epilepsy Council of Australia and the Western Pacific Regional Executive Committee for IBE will select the Australian recipient of the Outstanding Person with Epilepsy Award 2010.
8. Only 1 (one) recipient can be nominated for this Award on behalf of Australia.
9. The successful nominee will be notified in writing at the end of July.
10. The person nominated to represent Australia for this Award will join nominees from the Asian & Oceanian region, at a special ceremony during the 8<sup>th</sup> Asian & Oceanian Epilepsy Congress in Melbourne on October 21, where they will be presented with their Awards by the President of the International Bureau for Epilepsy, Mr Mike Glynn.
11. The successful nominee for this award will receive USD600 to assist with travel and accommodation costs to attend the award ceremony in Melbourne.

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**NOMINATION FORM  
IBE OUTSTANDING PERSON WITH EPILEPSY AWARD - AUSTRALIA**

**YOUR DETAILS**

Title: \_\_\_\_\_ First Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Surname: \_\_\_\_\_

Address 1: \_\_\_\_\_

Address 2: \_\_\_\_\_

Town/Suburb: \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Postcode \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: ( \_\_\_\_ ) \_\_\_\_\_ Mobile: \_\_\_\_\_

Email address: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Organisation (if applicable) \_\_\_\_\_

**DETAILS OF THE PERSON YOU ARE NOMINATING FOR THIS AWARD**

Title: \_\_\_\_\_ First Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Surname: \_\_\_\_\_

Address 1: \_\_\_\_\_

Address 2: \_\_\_\_\_

Town/Suburb: \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Postcode \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: ( \_\_\_\_ ) \_\_\_\_\_ Mobile: \_\_\_\_\_

In at least 100 words tell us about your nominee and why they deserve to be the recipient of this Award. How have they inspired you or contributed to your life or the lives of others living with epilepsy?

Additional or supporting information may be attached if you wish.

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Please forward your nomination to

Mr Graeme Shears, Chair, Joint Epilepsy Council of Australia.

818 Burke Road, Melbourne, Vic 3124 or Email: [gshears@epilepsy.asn.au](mailto:gshears@epilepsy.asn.au)